

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
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Petition for Waiver of)
FCC Form 471 Filing Deadline)
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Rockport School District
24 Jerdens Ln.

Rockport, MA 01966

CC Docket No. 02-6

BEN: 120456

471: 171037328)
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Schools and Libraries Universal Service)
Support Mechanism)

Petition for Waiver of
FCC Form 471 Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2017
RE: FCC Form 471: 171037328

I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Rockport School District serves low income pre-kindergarten through Grade 12 children in Massachusetts. **Rockport School District** submitted and certified their Funding Year 2017 FCC Form 471, **171037328**, in the EPC Portal portal on the Schools and Libraries Division ("SLD") of the Universal Service Administrative Company's ("USAC") website, on **May 18th, 2017**, just **7** days after the FCC Form 471 filing deadline of **May 11th, 2017**.

A staff member of Rockport School District works to provide E-Rate documentation to their consultant while already working a busy schedule, and is the sole staff member responsible for supplying E-Rate documentation to the E-Rate consultant and making all vendor selections. The school did not initially receive any bids from their RFP to the vendors on their master state

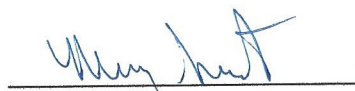
contract and they had to resubmit another RFP to receive any bids for their Category 2 project. Their Category 1 471 was submitted before the filing window closed. The school district needed additional time to evaluate all vendors and sign contracts to abide by all E-Rate Program guidelines.

II. Request

Rockport School District respectfully petitions the Commission to request a waiver of the Funding Year 2017 FCC Form 471 filing deadline on behalf of Billed Entity: **120456** to allow the Out of Window submission of their E-Rate Funding Year 2017 FCC Form 471 **171037328** to be considered In Window for USAC to review and fund the application, due to re-submitting a RFP to get bids from vendors on their master state contract, and needing additional time to evaluate all vendors who responded to their RFP, make their evaluation matrix and select a vendor to abide by all E-Rate Program guidelines. Due to the late vendor selection, their consultant was not able to file the school district's 471 until after the close of the filing window.

The FCC has previously granted waiver requests of the FCC Form 471 filing deadline to schools and school districts that filed their form 471s within 14 days from the close of the filing window. Your favorable consideration in this matter is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at any time should you have questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certifier Information

ROCKPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT (BEN: 120456) - Rockport Category 2-20 - Form # 171037328

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Basic Information

Entity Information

Funding Requests

Connectivity Information

Certify

You have successfully filed FCC Form 471 #171037328 for FY 2017

Certification Date

5/18/2017 5:03 PM EDT

Your application is being filed after the close of FY 2017 filing window. Therefore, your application will not be considered for funding.

TO REQUEST A WAIVER OF THE FILING WINDOW DEADLINE:

The window filing requirement is contained in the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) rules for the E-rate program. USAC cannot consider requests for waivers of FCC rules. If you missed the FCC Form 471 filing window deadline and wish to request a waiver, you may file a waiver request with the FCC. When you file a waiver request, you should list "CC Docket No. 02-6" on the first page of your waiver request. We strongly recommend that you review the information provided on the USAC website about filing waiver requests.

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